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1. ON JUNE 29, THE CENTRAL BANK COUNCIL OF THE BUNDES-BANK DECIDED TO INCREASE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, BANKS' REDISCOUNT QUOTAS BY DM 3 BILLION. COMMENTING ON ITS DECISION, THE COUNCIL STATED THAT THE MEASURE SHOULD PERMIT THE BANKS IN THE FUTURE TO COVER NEEDS FOR CENTRAL BANK MONEY TO A LARGER EXTENT BY NORMAL REDISUNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTING. (THE SPECIAL REDISCOUNT FACILITY WAS DISCONTINUED BY THE BUNDESBANK ON JUNE 19 -- SEE BONN 11354).

2. ON MARCH 31, 1978 BANKS' REDISCOUNT QUOTAS AMOUNTED TO ABOUT DM 26 BILLION (INCLUDING A SPECIAL DM 3.2 BILLION QUOTA OF THE AKA AUSFUHRKREDITGESELLSCHAFT -- EXPORT CREDIT COMPANY). ON JUNE 23, THE BANKS HAD

DRAWN ON REDISCOUNT QUOTAS BY DM 18.1 BILLION AND HAD BORROWED ANOTHER DM 7.2 BILLION UNDER THE LOMBARD FACILITY. NORMAL REDISCOUNT BORROWINGS COST THE BANKS 3 PERCENT AS COMPARED WITH 3 1/2 PERCENT FOR LOMBARD BORROWINGS.

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